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Patent No.	Issue Date	Inventor
US- 5,063,507	11/05/1991	Lindsey et al.
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US- 5,701,451	12/23/1997	Rogers et al.
US- 5,706,502	01/06/1998	Foley et al.
US- 5,794,207	01/06/1998	Walker et al.
US- 5,963,952	10/05/1999	Smith

Other Prior Art - Non-patents

"Commodity Trading Manual", Chicago Board of Trade 1994 (25 pages)
"Microsoft Press Computer Dictionary", Copyright 1997 (3 pages)
"Developing Client/Server Applications with Oracle Developer/2000", Paul Hinsley (5 pages)

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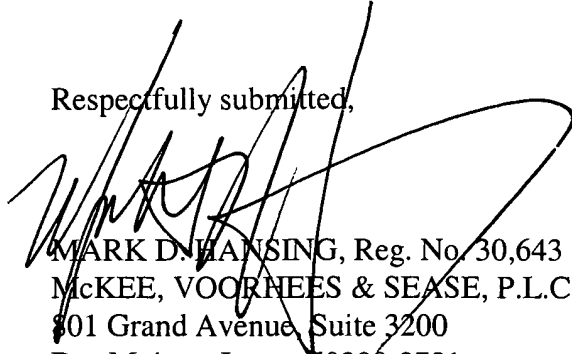
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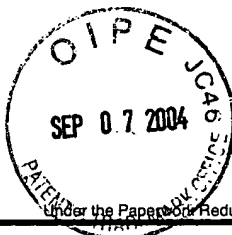
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